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[redacted] It will be recalled from previous reports that Aurelio A. Bracco and Dr. Rodolfo Puiggros, Communist leaders of the Argentine railroad union, were expelled from the Communist Party of Argentina (CPA) because of their differences of opinion with CPA officials. The two men subsequently formed their own organization, which they called the Movimiento Pro-Congreso Extraordinario del Partido Comunista.)

1. Aurelio A. Bracco and Dr. Rodolfo Puiggros recently had an interview with Victorio Codovilla and Rodolfo Ghioldi, CPA leaders, at which time it was agreed that the CPA would alter its policy to conform with the line proposed by the dissident group. Ghioldi and Codovilla are alleged to have been convinced that the CPA had erred in supporting the Union Democratica in opposition to Peron and that this strategic miscue had cost the CPA the loss of considerable labor support.
2. The CPA has also decided to support the President unconditionally in matters pertaining to "national sovereignty", labor gains, and social reform, as a means to regaining prestige in the laboring classes. Puiggros is said to have told a friend after the interview that the CPA had accepted his proposals and that the schism between his group and the CPA will disappear.

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